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SECOND NIGHT LEAD NATO (A32)  
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PARIS, DEC. 16 (AP)-THE UNITED STATES TOLD ITS NATO ALLIES TONIGHT SOME AMERICAN TROOPS MIGHT BE PULLED OUT OF EUROPE AND OFFERED TO STRENGTHEN THE ALLIANCE'S NUCLEAR STRIKING POWER AS COMPENSATION FOR SUCH A WITHDRAWAL.

SECRETARY OF STATE CHRISTIAN A. HERTER TOLD A CONFERENCE OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION MINISTERS THAT NATO NEEDS MORE MUSCLE BUT THAT THE UNITED STATES CAN NO LONGER AFFORD TO FOOT THE BILL.

HE SAID THE UNITED STATES IS WILLING TO ASSIGN TO NATO BY THE END OF 1963 FIVE ATOMIC SUBMARINES ARMED WITH POLARIS MISSILES.

HERTER SUGGESTED THIS STEP WOULD HINGE ON THE OTHER 14 ALLIANCE COUNTRIES PUTTING UP \$100 MILLION FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF AN ADDITIONAL 100 MEDIUM BALLISTIC MISSILES TO BE DEPLOYED AT SEA.

HERTER SAID THAT \$10 BILLION HAS BEEN DRAINED OUT OF THE UNITED STATES IN THE PAST THREE YEARS AND THAT "AMERICANS NOW LOOK FORWARD TO THEIR ALLIES TO UNDERTAKE A GREATER SHARE OF THE COMMON DEFENSE EFFORT."

SEVERAL NATO MINISTERS EXPRESSED SYMPATHY FOR THE U.S. POSITION AND DESCRIBED THE POLARIS SUBMARINE OFFER AS GENEROUS. BUT ALL WERE CAUTIOUS ABOUT COMMITTING THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO NEW FINANCIAL

WERE CAUTIOUS ABOUT COMMITTING THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO NEW FINANCIAL BURDENS.

THE AMERICAN SECRETARY SAID THE FIVE POLARIS SUBMARINES WOULD MAKE UP AN INTERIM MEDIUM RANGE BALLISTIC MISSILE FORCE FOR NATO. HE SAID THEY WOULD HAVE "A COMBINED CAPABILITY OF FIRING 80 MISSILES."

IN TAKING THIS STEP, HERTER ADDED, THE UNITED STATES "WOULD EXPECT THAT THE OTHER MEMBERS OF NATO WOULD BE PREPARED TO CONTRIBUTE ANOTHER 100 MISSILES" TO MEET THE ALLIANCE'S REQUIREMENTS THROUGH 1964. THESE WOULD BE OF THE POLARIS TYPE.

THE REMARKS MADE BY HERTER AND THE OTHER MINISTERS IN THEIR CLOSED DOOR SESSION WERE RELAYED TO NEWSMEN AT BRIEFINGS.

AS GENTLY AS HE COULD HERTER BROKE THE NEWS THAT SOME AMERICAN TROOPS MAY BE RETURNED HOME TO SAVE MONEY.

"SOME REDEPLOYMENT MAY BECOME A NECESSITY UNLESS OUR BALANCE OF PAYMENTS IS BROUGHT INTO A MORE REASONABLE EQUILIBRIUM," HE SAID.

THIS DECISION WAS ALL THE MORE DIFFICULT, HE EXPLAINED, BECAUSE THE WESTERN ALLIANCE IS ENGAGED IN AN ALL-OUT STRUGGLE WITH THE COMMUNIST WORLD WHICH FALLS JUST SHORT OF WAR.

IN ANY EVENT, HERTER SAID, SOME MEN MIGHT HAVE TO GO BUT THE STOCKPILES OF AMERICAN NUCLEAR WARHEADS WOULD REMAIN IN EUROPE UNDER AMERICAN CONTROL.

"THE UNITED STATES WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE NUCLEAR WEAPONS AVAILABLE FOR THE USE OF THE OTHER ALLIED POWERS," HE EXPLAINED.

HE QUOTED PRESIDENT EISENHOWER AS SAYING THAT PEOPLE "SHOULD NOT THINK THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO LOWER ITS FLAG IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD."

THE POLARIS SUBMARINES WHICH HERTER OFFERED ARE REGARDED AS THE MOST EFFICIENT NUCLEAR DETERRENT WEAPONS NOW IN EXISTENCE.

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ONE AMERICAN SOURCE SAID THIS OFFER WAS WELL RECEIVED BY MOST EUROPEAN MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE, INCLUDING THE BRITISH, FROM WHOM SOME RESERVATIONS HAD BEEN EXPECTED.

THE POLARIS SUBMARINE OFFER WOULD TAKE EFFECT IN 1963--ASSUMING PRESIDENT-ELECT JOHN KENNEDY AND CONGRESS APPROVE THE IDEA.

THESE SUBMARINES WOULD OPERATE WITH THE U.S. 6TH FLEET IN THE MEDITERRANEAN EXCEPT IN TIME OF WAR WHEN THEIR CONTROL WOULD REVERT TO THE EUROPEAN ALLIED COMMANDER.

ADDITIONALLY, HERTER OFFERED TO PROVIDE THE ALLIANCE 100 OTHER NUCLEAR MISSILES OF THE POLARIS TYPE. THESE WOULD BE DEPLOYED AT SEA, AND THE ALLIANCE ITSELF WOULD HAVE TO PAY FOR THEM.

BRITAIN'S FOREIGN SECRETARY, LORD HOME, STRESSED THAT A MULTI-NATIONAL SYSTEM OF CONTROL OF SUCH MEDIUM-RANGE BALLISTIC MISSILES WOULD INVOLVE SOLUTION OF COMPLEX TECHNICAL, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. HERTER HIMSELF ALSO MADE THIS POINT.

IN A LONG DAY BEHIND LOCKED DOORS HERTER STRESSED THESE THREE THEMES IN HIS SPEECHES TO THE OTHER MINISTERS:

1. THE SOVIET UNION IS BECOMING MORE RATHER THAN LESS AGGRESSIVE IN ITS DIPLOMATIC AND ECONOMIC EFFORTS TO UNDERMINE THE FREE WORLD AND MAY BE GETTING READY TO PROVOKE A NEW BERLIN CRISIS.

2. IN THE LIGHT OF THAT THREAT THE NORTH ATLANTIC ALLIANCE ITSELF REQUIRES THE BACKING OF THE MOST MODERN WEAPONS. THIS IS THE KEY FACTOR WHICH PROMPTED THE CONDITIONAL AMERICAN OFFER OF NUCLEAR MISSILES.

3. THE DRAIN IN THE AMERICAN BALANCE OF PAYMENTS POSITION NOW IS RUNNING AT ALMOST \$4 BILLION ANNUALLY.

IN THE LIGHT OF THAT FINANCIAL REALITY, HERTER SAID, "THIS SITUATION CANNOT CONTINUE. THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MIGHT BE OBLIGED TO TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT THE AMERICAN DOLLAR."

REMARKS MADE BY HERTER AND OTHER MINISTERS WERE RELAYED TO CORRESPONDENTS IN A SERIES OF BRIEFINGS HELD AFTER THE SESSION. FOUR POWER FAILURES IN THE NEW NATO HEADQUARTERS INTERRUPTED HERTER. LIGHTS WENT OUT AND THE AMPLIFYING AND TRANSLATION SYSTEMS FAILED. FINALLY THE MINISTERS MOVED TO ANOTHER CHAMBER. DELEGATES LISTENED ATTENTIVELY WHEN HERTER TOLD THEM FIDEL CASTRO'S CUBA WAS BEING TRANSFORMED INTO A BEACHHEAD FOR A POSSIBLE SOVIET PENETRATION INTO LATIN AMERICA. HE SAID OTHER LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES WERE BECOMING AWARE OF THE DANGER AND THAT IN CUBA ITSELF CASTRO'S POPULARITY WAS FALLING.

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PARIS, DEC. 16 (AP)-PRESIDENT EISENHOWER TODAY SENT THE FOLLOWING FAREWELL MESSAGE TO THE ANNUAL MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION (NATO):

"AS I NEAR THE END OF MY TWO TERMS OF OFFICE AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, IT IS A SOURCE OF GREAT ENCOURAGEMENT AND SATISFACTION TO CONSIDER THE IMMENSE PROGRESS MADE BY THE NORTH ATLANTIC ALLIANCE DURING THE LAST DECADE.

"IN THOSE EARLIER YEARS WHEN I HAD THE HONOR TO BE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER EUROPE, NO ONE WOULD HAVE BEEN SO BOLD AS TO PREDICT THE DEGREE OF PROGRESS WE HAVE MADE IN THE COLLECTIVE DEFENSE: THE GREAT INFRASTRUCTURE COMPLEX, THE INCREASINGLY EFFECTIVE SHIELD FORCES, AND THE NUCLEAR POWER WHICH SUPPORTS OUR



ALLIANCE.

"WE HAVE FORMED HABITS OF CLOSE POLITICAL CONSULTATION. AS WE NOW FACE MANY COMPLEX PROBLEMS WHICH INCLUDE BUT ALSO TRANSCEND MILITARY DEFENSE, WE MUST SEEK TO STRENGTH AND DEVELOP THESE HABITS IN INCREASING MEASURE.

"TO MEET THESE CHALLENGES WE WILL NEED TO SHOW AN EVEN GREATER UNITY OF THOUGHT AND ACTION THAN WE HAVE ACHIEVED TO DATE. TOGETHER WE MUST BUILD A COMMUNITY WHICH WILL BEST SAFEGUARD THE INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM AND NATIONAL VALUES OF ITS VIRIOUS PEOPLES AND AT THE SAME TIME PROVIDE EFFECTIVE MEANS OF DEALING WITH PROBLEMS WITH WHICH NONE OF US, ALONE, CAN DEAL EFFECTIVELY.

"I AM CONFIDENT THAT TE ALLIANCE WILL MEET THIS CHALLENGE, AS IT HAS MET OTHERS IN THE PAST. I BELIEVE THAT THE LONG-RANGE PLANNING ON WHICH YOU ARE NOW EMBARKED WILL MAKE A NOTABLE CONTRIBUTION TO THIS END.

"AS YOU THUS CONTINUE YOUR LABORS ON BEHALF OF PEACE, THE WELL-BEING AND FREEDOM OF OUR PEOPLES, I WISH YOU SUCCESS--NOW AND IN THE YEARS AHEAD.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER"

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LONDON, DEC. 16 (AP)--THE HOUSE OF COMMONS GAVE AN OVERWHELMING VOTE OF CONFIDENCE TO BRITISH-AMERICAN DEFENSE POLICY TONIGHT DEFEATING A LABOR MEMBER'S MOTION AGAINST ESTABLISHING POLARIS SUBMARINE BASES IN BRITAIN. THE VOTE WAS 164-46.

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WASHINGTON, DEC. 16 (AP)--RESERVE BRIG. GEN. PHILLIP ARDERY WILL SERVE AS AIR FORCE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION AT HEADQUARTERS IN THE EVENT OF MOBILIZATION, THE AIR FORCE SAID TODAY.

ARDERY, RECENTLY TRANSFERRED FROM THE AIR NATIONAL GUARD TO THE AIR RESERVE, WILL PUT IN TWO WEEKS ACTIVE DUTY TRAINING AT THE PENTAGON EACH YEAR TO ACQUAINT HIM WITH HIS MOBILIZATION ASSIGNMENT. HIS FIRST TOUR OF TEMPORARY ACTIVE DUTY IN THIS CAPACITY WILL BE DECIDED LATER.

THE AIR FORCE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION NOW IS MAJ. GEN. ARNO H. LUEHMAN, A REGULAR OFFICER WHO WOULD BE GIVEN OTHER DUTIES IN THE EVENT OF WAR OR ALL-OUT MOBILIZATION.

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ADVANCE FOR PMS OF FRIDAY, DEC. 16

BY GEORGE W. CORNELL

(ADVANCE)

NEW YORK, DEC. 16 (AP)--TORTURED DREAMS...EMPTY LONGINGS...A

CHILD'S QUESTION UNANSWERED....

THESE ARE THE HAUNTING NOTES OF CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR FOR THE FAMILIES OF SEVEN AMERICAN AIRMEN IMPRISONED IN RUSSIA, MISSING OR DEAD.

THEIR WORDS, THEIR PLANS, THEIR LETTERS ARE POIGNANT WITH A SADNESS STRANGE FOR THE SEASON, BUT ALSO VIBRANT WITH ITS HOPE.

"MAY GOD BLESS AND KEEP YOU...."

"WE HAVEN'T GIVEN UP...."

"HOW CAN YOU TELL A CHILD HER DADDY IS MISSING...?"

"IT CAN'T BE LIKE OTHER CHRISTMASES FOR US...."

YET THEY'RE STRIVING TO RECAPTURE THE SPIRIT OF THE HOLIDAY. THEY'LL GATHER AROUND TREES, AND DINNER TABLES, WITH SEATS VACANT AND FAMILIAR VOICES GONE. THEY'RE SENDING PACKAGES, WRAPPED

TENDERLY, AND MAILED HOPEFULLY, FAR AWAY.

"WE AREN'T SURE HE'LL GET IT, BUT...."

OF THE SEVEN MEN, THREE ARE KNOWN TO BE IN SOVIET PRISONS. ONE IS DEAD. THE REMAINING THREE WERE REPORTED MISSING, AND PRESUMED DEAD, BUT THEIR WIVES AND PARENTS STILL CLING TO THOUGHT THAT SOMEWHERE, THEY LIVE.

"I STILL DREAM ABOUT OSCAR," SAID MRS. MARIA GOFORTH OF TOPEKA, KAN., WIFE OF ONE OF THE MISSING, 1ST LT. OSCAR L. GOFORTH.

"SOMETIMES I SEE HIM IN PRISON, SOMETIMES HE IS STARVING AND SOMETIMES I DREAM THAT HE IS BEING BEATEN WITH A STICK.... I REFUSE TO BELIEVE HE IS NOT ALIVE...BUT I AM AFRAID FOR WHAT HE IS GOING THROUGH."

SHE PLANS TO GO TO PUERTO RICO WITH A DAUGHTER, LINDA, 7, TO SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH RELATIVES AND HER PARENTS, MR. AND MRS. TEODORO SOLA, OF AGUADA.

GOFORTH, FROM SARDIS, OKLA., WAS ONE OF A SIX-MAN CREW WHOSE UNARMED RB47 WEATHER RECONNAISSANCE PLANE WAS SHOT DOWN BY THE RUSSIANS OVER THE BARENTS SEA NORTH OF SOVIET TERRITORY LAST

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THEY HAD SAID GOODBY TO THEIR FAMILIES EARLY LAST JUNE BEFORE GOING OVERSEAS.

TWO OF THE OTHERS, CAPT. EUGENE E. POSA, FROM SANTA MONICA, CALIF., AND 1ST. LT. DEAN B. PHILLIPS, FROM INWOOD, N. Y., ARE MISSING, AND ONE, CAPT. WILLARD G. PALM, THE CHIEF PILOT WHOSE WIDOW LIVES IN TOPEKA, WAS FOUND DEAD.

TWO OF THE SIX, CAPT. JOHN R. MCKONE, FROM TONGANOXIE, KAN., AND CAPT. FREEMAN B. OLMSTEAD, OF PLAINFIELD, N. J., WERE CAPTURED AND ARE IN MOSCOW'S LUBYANKA PRISON, AWAITING TRIAL ON ESPIONAGE CHARGES.

THE SEVENTH AIRMAN, FRANCIS GARY POWERS, OF POUND, VA., ALSO IS IN PRISON, SERVING A 10-YEAR TERM FOR SPYING AFTER HIS AMERICAN U2 RECONNAISSANCE PLANE WAS SHOT DOWN OVER RUSSIA LAST SPRING.

"CHRISTMAS HAS ALWAYS BEEN SUCH A JOYFUL OCCASION FOR US BUT IT WILL NOT BE THIS YEAR," SAID HIS WIFE, MRS. BARBARA GAY POWERS, AT HER HOME AT MILLEDGEVILLE, GA.

"IT WILL BE VERY SAD BOTH FOR ME AND MY HUSBAND. I REALLY DO NOT KNOW WHAT I SHALL DO. PERHAPS MY MOTHER AND I WILL VISIT MY SISTER IN ALBANY, GA., EXCHANGE GIFTS THERE AND DO WHAT WE CAN TO DISPEL THE SORROW...."

SHE HAS SENT POWERS TWO GIFT PACKAGES, DESPITE THE HIGH SOVIET CUSTOMS DUTY, WHICH AMOUNTS TO ABOUT \$40 FOR EACH \$10 VALUATION, SHE SAID. THE GIFTS?

"MOSTLY WARM CLOTHING."

ON CHRISTMAS DAY, OLMSTEAD'S PARENTS WILL RE READ ONCE MORE A CHERISHED LETTER THEY RECENTLY RECEIVED FROM THEIR IMPRISONED SON, SAYING:

"I ALMOST HESITATE TO WRITE OUR TRADITIONAL GREETINGS, IN THE LIGHT OF ALL THAT HAS HAPPENED. DAD, YOU ASKED IF YOU CAN DO ANYTHING FOR ME. YES, THERE IS--AND I ASK IT FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART: THAT YOU AND MOM WILL HAVE A TRULY MERRY CHRISTMAS."

THE PARENTS, MR. AND MRS. J. BLAINE OLMSTEAD, OF ELMIRA, N. Y., HAVE SENT HIM A PACKAGE--A BOX OF CHRISTMAS CANDY, A NEW SHIRT, A PARKA AND A BIBLE WITH HIS NAME EMBOSSED ON THE COVER IN GOLD.

HIS WIFE, GAIL, AND THEIR 19-MONTHS-OLD DAUGHTER, KAREN, ARE STAYING WITH HER PARENTS IN PLAINFIELD, N. J. THEY WILL ATTEND A BAPTIST CHURCH THERE ON CHRISTMAS DAY, AND THEN HAVE A FAMILY DINNER.

SHE HAS SENT HER HUSBAND A DARK-BROWN PULLOVER SWEATER FOR CHRISTMAS, AND A NEW PHOTOGRAPH OF KAREN, BUT THE DISTANCE LEAVES A DESOLATE GAP. "SOMETHING MORE SHOULD BE DONE," SHE SAID, "TO GET HIM



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HOME."

IN TOPEKA, MRS. MOHN MCKONE PLANS THE USUAL TURKEY DINNER AND GIFT-GIVING FOR HER THREE CHILDREN, CATHY, 5; LORI, 2, AND JOHN II, 7 MONTHS. HER PARENTS WILL BE THERE, AND POSSIBLY HER HUSBAND'S PARENTS, TOO, FROM TONGANOXIE, KAN.

MCKONE WROTE RECENTLY FROM PRISON: "...TELL LORI THAT DADDY SAID SINCE HE IS GONE SHE MUST BE MAMA'S GOOD HELPER..." AND HIS WIFE IS YEARNING FOR ANOTHER LETTER--BY CHRISTMAS.

SHE HAS SENT HIM AN ALBUM OF PICTURES AND A SEVEN-MINUTE RECORD OF VOICES OF THEIR THREE CHILDREN.

ON THE RECORD, KATHY SINGS "JESUS LOVES ME," OCCASIONALLY AD-LIBBING, "JESUS LOVES YOU." LORI HALF-SINGS, HALF-SAYS "TWINKLE, TWINKLE LITTLE STAR," USING HER OWN PRONUNCIATION, "TWINKA, TWINKA."

AT ONE POINT, THERE IS SILENCE AS MRS. MCKONE TRIES IN VAIN TO GET JOHN TO SAY SOMETHING, THEN THERE IS A YELL, AND THE MOTHER'S VOICE COMES IN, "LORI JUST BUSTED JOHNNIE ON THE NOSE WITH THE MIKE."

"WE ARE THANKFUL YOU ARE ALIVE AND WELL AND PRAY YOU WILL BE HOME SOON, VERY SOON," MRS. MCKONE SAYS ON THE RECORD. "CHRISTMAS WON'T BE MERRY THIS YEAR WITHOUT YOU HERE. . ."

MRS. WILLARD G. PALM, OF TOPKEA, WHOSE HUSBAND WAS FOUND DEAD AND HIS BODY RETURNED TO THIS COUNTRY, SAID SHE AND THEIR CHILDREN, MICHELLE MARIE, 11, AND TIMOTHY, 4, WILL HAVE CHRISTMAS DINNER AT HOME WITH HER MOTHER.

IT WILL BE RATHER DIFFICULT, SHE SAID, BECAUSE OF THE INEVITABLE COMPARISONS WITH HAPPIER CHRISTMASSES IN THE PAST.

MRS. PATRICIA PHILLIPS, WIFE OF ONE OF THE MISSING, HAS JUST MOVED INTO A NEW HOUSE OF HER OWN IN SACRAMENTO, CALIF. AND WILL COOK CHRISTMAS DINNER THERE FOR DAUGHTER ROXANNE, 20 MONTHS, AND RELATIVES.

IT WILL BE A "PARTIAL" FAMILY REUNION, SHE SAID, ADDING "WE HAVE HOPES, VERY HIGH HOPES THAT HE'S STILL ALL RIGHT."

HIS PARENTS, MR. AND MRS. L. B. PHILLIPS JR., OF INWOOD, HAVE NO SPECIAL PLANS FOR THE DAY. "IT'S BEEN A HARD THING FOR THEM TO LIVE THROUGH," SAID AN AUNT.

OLMSTEAD'S PARENTS, MR. AND MRS. GUY C. GOFORTH, A FARM FAMILY IN A REMOTE MOUNTAIN SECTION OF SOUTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA, REFUSE TO TALK ABOUT THE SITUATION TO NEWSMEN--AND A FAMILY SPOKESMAN SAYS THEY HAVE NO PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS. *Go forth's*

"THEY ARE COUNTRY FOLK," THE SPOKESMAN SAID. "THEY ARE VERY TORN UP ABOUT THE WHOLE AFFAIR...THE MAN WORKED HARD ALL HIS LIFE TO SEND HIS SON TO THE STATE UNIVERSITY."

THE SANTA MONICA PARENTS OF POSA, ANOTHER OF THE MISSING, STILL ARE UNAWARE OF THEIR SON'S FATE. A BROTHER SAID THEY ARE IN THEIR LATE 80'S, AND IT IS FEARED THE INFORMATION MIGHT BE DANGEROUS FOR THEM.

THUS, THEY'LL OBSERVE CHRISTMAS IN A KIND OF DARKNESS. AND THE SHADOW WILL HOVER OVER THE OTHER HOMES, TOO. BUT WITH IT, THERE WILL BE LIGHT, AS THEY CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF A CHILD LONG AGO. LIFE WILL GO ON.

ONE OF THE WIVES, MRS. OLMSTEAD, IS EXPECTING A CHILD HERSELF IN FEBRUARY, THE SECOND FOR HER AND OLMSTEAD, AND THEY'RE CELEBRATING THAT, TOO, EVEN THOUGH HALF A WORLD APART.

"WE MIGHT BOTH LOOK AHEAD," HE WROTE FROM PRISON, "TO THAT LIFE-LONG 'CHRISTMAS' WE WILL SHARE COMMENCING ON THE DAY I AM ALLOWED TO COME HOME."

(END ADVANCE FOR PMS OF FRIDAY DEC. 16 --SENT DEC. 15)  
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NEW YORK, DEC. 16 (AP)--FRANCIS CARDINAL SPELLMAN LEFT IDLEWILD AIRPORT TONIGHT FOR ELMENDORF AIR FORCE BASE, ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, TO BEGIN HIS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TRIP TO ARMED FORCES STATIONED OVERSEAS. CARDINAL SPELLMAN WILL CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS AT THULE AIR FORCE BASE IN GREENLAND AND WILL CELEBRATE MASS ON CHRISTMAS DAY AT THE ARMY ICE TUNNEL NEAR THULE. HE ALSO WILL VISIT BASES IN ALASKA AND LABRADOR.

HE LEFT ON NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 99, WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE AT ANCHORAGE AT 8:25 P.M. SATURDAY, ANCHORAGE TIME.

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UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., DEC. 16 (AP)--THE U.N. ASSEMBLY BUDGET COMMITTEE TONIGHT APPROVED A \$19 MILLION SPECIAL FUND TO PAY COSTS OF THE U.N. EMERGENCY FORCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST THROUGH NEXT YEAR. THE FORCE WAS SET UP DURING THE 1956 SUEZ CRISIS.

THE VOTE WAS 31-8 BUT 19 COUNTRIES ABSTAINED AND 41 COUNTRIES WERE ABSENT FROM THE 99-NATION COMMITTEE MEETING.

THE SOVIET ~~BLOC~~ *1958* OPPOSED THE MEASURE SPONSORED BY CANADA, DENMARK, INDIA, NORWAY, SWEDEN AND YUGOSLAVIA.

SOME COUNTRIES ANNOUNCED THEY WOULD NOT SUPPORT THE MEASURE BECAUSE THEY FELT BIG POWERS SHOULD PAY THE MOST OF IT.

EARLIER THE UNITED STATES ANNOUNCED IT WOULD CONTRIBUTE \$1.8 MILLION ABOVE ITS ASSESABLE SHARE AND BRITAIN ANNOUNCED A CONTRIBUTION OF \$135,000. A. A. ROSHCIN OF THE SOVIET UNION SAID FRANCE, BRITAIN AND ISRAEL SHOULD PAY ALL OF THE BILL. THE SOVIET UNION HAS NEVER PAID ANYTHING FOR MAINTAINING THE FORCE.

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